## Tacoma City of Tacoma

## **Questions and Answers**

## CRP Small Business Technical Assistance RFQ Specification No. ED24-0287F

All interested parties had the opportunity to submit questions in writing by email to Aaron Bratton, Buyer by date questions were due. The answers to the questions received are provided below and posted to the City's website at <a href="https://www.TacomaPurchasing.org">www.TacomaPurchasing.org</a>: Navigate to <a href="https://www.TacomaPurchasing.org">Contracting Opportunities</a> / Services Solicitations, and then click <a href="https://www.TacomaPurchasing.org">Questions and Answers</a> for this Specification. This information IS NOT considered an addendum. Respondents should consider this information when submitting their proposals.

- 1. Question: Could you confirm the ideal number of businesses the City of Tacoma expects to be served within the contract period, based on the allocated funds? Answer: The ideal number of businesses served may vary depending on the final contract terms. The City may award a sole contract to one provider or divide the contract among up to three providers. Additionally, the needs of businesses will differ, impacting service levels. The actual number of businesses served will depend on the contractor's quoted hourly rate and will be finalized during the contract drafting process.
- 2. Question: If the full budget requested in our proposal isn't approved, would there be an opportunity to receive partial funding?

  Answer: Yes, partial funding is a possibility.
- 3. Question: Can a contracted CRP technical assistance provider be eligible for the CRP loan and grant programs?
  - Answer: No, contracted CRP technical assistance providers will not be eligible to apply for or receive funding from CRP loan or grant programs.
- 4. Question: The RFQ states "Provide five (3) recent references who may be contacted concerning your firm's performance with regard to the qualifications listed in the SOQ." Could you clarify if three or five references are required?

  Answer: Three references are required, not five.
- 5. Question: How do the questions in the sustainability section apply to this particular RFQ?

Answer: The sustainability section is a mandatory requirement under City policy. While not all components of this section may directly relate to the scope of work for this RFQ, respondents are encouraged to complete it to the best of their ability.

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